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FROM:

OTR Orientation and Briefing Officer

SUBJECT:

Weekly Activities Report #47

19 November to 25 November 1958

CIA REFRESHER Builing - 2 hrs.

On 19 November the CIA Refresher was conducted for some 65 key ORR persons. The speaker was introduced by Dr. Otto Guthe, AD/ORR. The program went over very well: There was applause at the end, a number of individual expressions of satisfaction, and a subsequent request from Dr. Guthe's office to include in the next running six persons who had been unable to attend that morning.

BFSO BRIEFING

On 25 November the 26 members of State's new Basic Foreign Service Officer Course were briefed on CIA.

DEPARTMENTAL BRIEFING

On 25 November 55 persons from Army, Navy, Air Force, State, and USIA attended the bimonthly Departmental Briefing. Following up last week's meeting with the O&B Officer to discuss the intelligence community, Col. who has been given the task of briefing among those in attendance.

BRIEFING OF DEPENDENTS

1. A special Dependents Briefing will be put on in midDecember for some 20 wives of Security Office personnel slated to go overseas. The Director of Security will give the opening

2. Through the O&B Officer offered the Director of Security the opportunity of having the wives of his key headquarters personnel attend the first day's session, which is general in nature. Though he would have very much liked to do so, he declined. His thought is that he could not then refuse similar requests from other offices, and he is not prepared to "open the floodgates."

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3. Stateside briefings of dependents are, therefore, not foreseen in the near future. The JOT Wives Briefing remains the solitary exception. While Col. White indicated some time back that suggestions for broadening the base of the JOT Wives Briefing should be forthcoming, the Director of Training, in the light of all the circumstances, believes the initiative for inaugurating other such briefings should come from offices other than OTR.

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4. In the meantime, the regular Dependents Briefing is being barely patronized and has become, for all practical purposes, a tutorial session. The Director of Training has indicated that, unless it is better patronized, it will be dropped. is toying with the idea of requesting two sessions (State and Defense groups) twice a year. The O&B Officer is preparing a report on the subject.

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